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**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please cancel claims 2 – 10 and 12 – 63 without prejudice.

Please add the following claims:

64. A method of positioning an anchor relative to body tissue, said method comprising the steps of positioning an end portion of a resilient tubular member relative to body tissue with the end portion of the resilient tubular member in a closed condition at least partially blocking a passage in the resilient tubular member, resiliently expanding the resilient tubular member by moving a tubular expansion member along a passage in the resilient tubular member, operating the end portion of the resilient tubular member from the closed condition to an open condition by